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- 8.—*A Polyglot Grammar of the Hebrew, Chaldee, Syriac, Greek, Latin, English, French, Italian, Spanish, and German Languages, reduced to one common Rule of Syntax, and a Uniform Mode of Declension and Conjugation, as far as practicable ; with Notes explanatory of the Idioms of each Language, a succinct Plan of their Prosody, and an extensive Index ; the whole intended to simplify the Study of the Languages.* By SAMUEL BARNARD. 8vo. pp. 312. Philadelphia.

So completely has Mr Barnard described the plan and purpose of his work in this copious title, that we can add nothing to make these better understood by the reader. In looking over the volume, we have been struck with wonder at the author's industry and perseverance in collecting, and laboring to methodise, such a mass of particulars ; but we fear the success of his undertaking will be in no degree proportionate to the toil it has cost him to carry it through. Learners will find his book too abstruse and complex, while it contains little, that is not familiar to the skilful linguist. As a work of convenience and curiosity for those, who would obtain a superficial view of several languages, and see their various forms and inflections compared, it has some value ; but as an aid to a philosophical investigation of the principles of speech, or to the acquisition of grammar, words, and idioms, it is unquestionably ill contrived. In a long and elaborate preface are several judicious remarks on the characteristics of the English language, as compared with those of the ancients. But it is observable, that in grappling with so many languages, the author has in a good degree lost the power of writing his own. He is constantly obscure and indefinite, using words loosely, and bringing together combinations so incongruous, as to produce but feeble impressions on the mind.

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- 9.—*Address delivered before the Palmetto Society, of South Carolina, in Commemoration of the Defence of the Palmetto Fort, on Sullivan's Island, (June 28th, 1776).* By WILLIAM CRAFTS. 8vo. pp. 21. Charleston. 1825.

THIS very handsome Address deserves conspicuous notice among those, which the return of the half century anniversary of the Revolution is constantly bringing forth. The memorable defence of fort Sullivan, since called, and most deservedly, by the name of the hero, who conducted that defence, yields in gallantry to no action of the revolutionary, or any other war. Mr Crafts